## Utah Generated Renewable Energy Electricity Network Authority (UGREEN)

BOARD UPDATE: JUNE 15, 2010

## **FUNDING SOURCES**

- 1. SEP Formula Grant
- 2. State Budget Increment
  - a. Jim Grover, *Budget Analyst*, Office of Planning and Budget
- 3. Meeting with Congressman Matheson's Energy Legislative Analyst
  - a. Meetings with Hatch/Bishop Offices
- 4. Corporate Sponsorship
  - a. In-kind contributions
  - b. Cash grants
  - c. Specific Use funds

## **UGREEN DOCUMENTS**

- 1. Personnel Policy
- 2. Unlawful Harassment Policy
- 3. Employment Discrimination Protection Policy
- 4. Equal Opportunity Policy
- 5. Operating Policy
- 6. Procurement Policy
- 7. Board Meeting Procedures
- 8. Project Selection Policy/Application\*
- 9. Business Plan
- 10. Budget

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 1. Budget Review/Approval
- 2. Working Group to edit and review draft documents
  - 2 options:
    - i. Working Group to meet twice before the 7/20 Board Meeting to discuss/review/amend documents ---> Adoption at July 20, 2010 Board Meeting
    - ii. July 20, 2010 Board Meeting will be a working meeting in which we discuss/review/amend document---> Adoption at Aug 17, 2010 Board Meeting
- 3. Project Committee appointment
  - Committee to consist of Chair, Special Advisor, and 1-2 Board Members; rotating position
  - No official appointment process- key qualification would be time, interest, and familiarity with transmission process
- 4. Exploration of possibility into changing UGREEN legislation to include "alternative"
  - Alignment with Renewable Energy Development Incentive (REDI)

- Open up additional funding sources
- 5. Governor Herbert unveiled his 10 Year Strategic Energy Plan in June 8, 2010
  - "Energy Initiatives and Imperatives, Utah's 10-Year Strategic Energy Plan"
- 6. Trip to meet with New Mexico Renewable Energy Transmission Authority July 27, 2010
  - General understanding of NM RETA, initial implementation, best practices, and results of recent inaugural bond offering
  - Discuss possibility of establishing formal coalition/consortium between existing transmission authorities through the West
    - i. Existing authorities: **Colorado**, Idaho, Kansas, **New Mexico**, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, **Wyoming**
    - ii. Increase visibility/influence at federal level
    - iii. Possible outcomes may include: federal tax exemption for authority bonds, recurring funding from DOE for operating and managing authorities, collective representation at national industry events